City of Vero Beach

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

San Francisco's reputation has quickly collapsed from one of my favorite beacons of culture to a sanctuary for criminals, addicts, and homeless encampments. Your stifling big brother government is your downfall. Your most recent action stinks like the steaming excrement on your streets.

As a lifetime NRA member, concealed carry permit holder, and Mayor of Vero Beach, Florida I feel compelled to respond to your resolution deeming the National Rifle Association a "domestic terrorist organization." Webster's Dictionary defines terrorism as, "the systematic use of terror especially as a means of coercion." The NRA is our defense against tyrannical government structures like yours.

The 2nd Amendment is the shortest, most direct amendment of our Bill of Rights. "Shall Not Be Infringed" is plain English. The NRA defends liberty and protects law-abiding citizens from terror and coercion. They stand next to sovereign individuals against coercive overpowering government.

Labeling the NRA a domestic terrorist organization is calling us, millions of law-abiding NRA members, "terrorists." The 1st Amendment to the Constitution protects your individual right to say absurd things. I defend your constitutional right and thankfully still have that same right to expose your absurdity. But, for

you, in your government authority, to call law-abiding Americans terrorists spits in the eyes of our founding fathers, undermines all Constitutional liberties, and is a reckless action that demeans your city and oath of office.

Your propagandist technique of repeating bold and unfounded lies until people believe them is transparent. Your tactical resolution to remove our God-given Constitutional liberties one city and one individual at a time will fail. Your elitist declaration has underestimated the will and character of honest Americans. Americans consider your resolution to be part of the same garbage pile that San Francisco has become under your malfeasance.

Governments who coerce and intimidate their citizens are the true terrorists. You are the true enemy of liberty by enabling addiction, homelessness, and harboring illegal violent criminals. Instead of calling Americans terrorists, look in the mirror and get your own house in order first.

Sincerely,

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Mayor, City of Vero Beach, Florida